

PREPARATION OF JURY INSTRUCTIONS

Before the Honorable Steven C. Yarbrough

Prepare your proposed jury instructions in accordance with these directions:

1. One party should **file** a set of stipulated instructions that are numbered and cite authority at the bottom of each instruction (Fig. 1). Also email a copy to scyproposedtext@nmcourt.fed.us in Microsoft Word 2010 format. These instructions should be clearly marked as stipulated.
2. One party should **email only** (do not file) an unnumbered set of stipulated instructions in Word format, without citations (Fig. 2) to scyproposedtext@nmcourt.fed.us.
3. Each party should **file** a set of contested instructions that are numbered and cite authority at the bottom of each instruction (Fig. 1). Also email a copy to scyproposedtext@nmcourt.fed.us in Microsoft Word 2010 format. These instructions should identify the submitting party and be clearly marked as contested.
4. Each party should **email only** (do not file) an unnumbered set of contested instructions in Word format, without citations (Fig. 2) to scyproposedtext@nmcourt.fed.us.
5. Each instruction should begin on a new page (there should be a page break before each new instruction).
6. Carefully proofread each instruction for errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, citations and unintended deviations from pattern instructions used as sources.
7. Submit a cover sheet with the case caption on all sets of instructions.
8. Parties should not submit stock instructions.
9. If the New Mexico Uniform Jury Instructions are not applicable, Judge Yarbrough prefers that instructions, to the extent possible, follow the pattern jury instructions for the Fifth Circuit.

Instruction No. _____
Members of the Jury:
In order to demonstrate liability the Plaintiff must show
Citation . . .

Fig. 1: With Citation

Instruction No. _____
Members of the Jury:
In order to demonstrate liability the Plaintiff must show

Fig. 2: Without Citation